

2025/2026 Track OCup Series Information Bulletin

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General Information

Ontario Cycling (OC) is proud to present the 2025-2026 Track Ontario Cup (OCup) Series which will kick off on December 6th, 2025. The Track OCup Series, sanctioned and governed by Ontario Cycling, consists of 3 separate racing opportunities held at the Mattamy National Cycling Center in Milton Ontario. The OCup Series is designed to provide high-quality racing opportunities for riders prior to competing at the 2026 Provincial Championship Milton.

The Mattamy National Cycling Center is an indoor 250m track made of Siberian spruce and was built in 2014 for the 2015 Pan Am/Para Pan Am Games and was recently renovated in 2025. It is the only velodrome of its kind in Canada, and one of the few velodromes in North America that meets top international standards.

Important Information Regarding OCup Series

For 2026, our Track events will move to a one-day format. With rising costs and tighter budgets, this change allows us to keep events sustainable while still offering a full day of exciting, competitive racing. While the schedule will be more condensed, athletes can expect the same high-quality racing experience, with the goal of keeping track cycling accessible and enjoyable for all participants.

New for 2026

- Riders who will be moving into the U17 category in 2026 will be eligible to race in the OCup Cat A-D or Cat A-D Women for the first OCup in December.
- There will be no series registration for the 2025-2026 Track Season.
- All OCup and Provincial Championship registration will open to all riders (Ontario and out of Province on the same day).
- Youth categories Cat E-G and U11, U13, U15 registration will include all events scheduled for that OCup and certain Provincial events. Note that registration for the Omnium is separate and is not included in this package.

Updated Track Safety Features

With the recent installation of plexiglass along the track rail, it may be challenging for athletes to safely position themselves or hold onto the rail for standing starts. After consultation with our Track Provincial Coach, our Track Lead Commissaire and counterparts in the UK who have faced similar challenges, Ontario Cycling will be implementing a revised start procedure for all events requiring a rail start. Athletes will now begin their race holding from the safety zone railing on the backstraight, completing a **1.5-lap rolling neutral start** instead of the traditional single neutral lap. This adjustment ensures both athlete safety and consistency across events. Please note that this change applies to all disciplines and events requiring a rail start and should be communicated to athletes, coaches, officials, and timing staff in advance of each event.

Track OCup Series Schedule

OCup/Date	Time (approximate)
OCup #1 – December 6 th 2025	9:00am-5:30pm
OCup #2 – January 17 th , 2026	9:00am-10:00pm
OCup #3 – February 7 th , 2026	9:00am-6:00pm

**A more detailed schedule and additional information will be posted in the tech guide closer to the event date.*

OCup #1

Date	Categories	Races	Time (approximate)
December 6 th , 2025	A, B, C, D (Open) Youth E, F, G A, B, C, D (Women) Para	Time Trial Scratch Elimination Points Individual Pursuit (Para)	9:00am-5:30pm

**Para races will include Time Trial and Individual Pursuit*

OCup #2

Date	Categories	Races	Time (approximate)
January 17 th , 2026	A, B, C, D (Open) Youth E, F, G A, B, C, D (Women) Para	Individual Pursuit Time Trial (Youth & Para) Sprint/Chariot Elimination Scratch	9:00am-10:00pm

**Youth categories will participate in Time Trial instead of Individual Pursuit*

**Chariot race will only be for youth categories in place of the Sprint Tournament*

**Para races will include Individual Pursuit and Time Trial*

OCup #3

Date	Categories	Races	Time (approximate)
February 7 th , 2026	A, B, C, D (Open) Youth E, F, G A, B, C, D (Women) Para	Individual Pursuit (Para) Keirin Tempo Points Time Trial	9:00am-6:00pm

**Para races will include Individual Pursuit and Time Trial*

2026 Track Provincial Championships Milton Schedule

Date	Categories	Races	Time (Approx.)
February 27 th , 2026	U15 Boys, U15 Girls, U17 Men, U17 Women, Junior Men, Junior Women, Elite Men, Elite Women, Master Men, Master Women, Para	Sprint Individual Pursuit Time Trial (Para)	8:00am-9:00pm
February 28 th , 2026	U11, U13, U15 Boys, U15 Girls U17 Men, U17 Women, Junior Men, Junior Women, Elite Men, Elite Women, Master Men, Master Women,	Omnium	8:00am-9:30pm
March 1st, 2026	U11, U13, U15 Boys, U15 Girls U17 Men, U17 Women, Junior Men, Junior Women, Elite Men, Elite Women, Master Men, Master Women,	Time Trial Team Sprint Team Pursuit Keirin	8:00am-1:00pm

**There will be no racing opportunities for U11 and U13 on Friday of Provincials*

**U15 category will only get the opportunity to race in the Individual Pursuit on Friday of Provincials*

Registration and Pricing

- Registration for all track OCups is open to riders 8 years of age and older.
- The event is pre-registration only. No day of registration will be accepted.
- Only Challenge/Compete/UCI race licenses are permitted. Out of province riders must have a UCI license. Licenses will not be sold on event day and must be purchased in advanced
- Registration for each OCup will close on Wednesday at 11:59pm before the event.
- If the Wednesday at midnight registration deadline passes and a rider would still like to register, they have until Thursday at 4:00pm to contact the Ontario Cycling office for registration to be re-opened and will be charged a \$50+HST late entry fee.

Ontario Cup Registration		
Event	Registration Timeline	
OCup #1	Tuesday October 7 th @12pm (noon) – Wednesday December 3 rd @ 11:59pm	Link
OCup #2	Monday December 1st (tentative) @12pm (noon) – Wednesday January 14 th @11:59pm	Link
OCup #3	Monday December 1st (tentative) @12pm (noon) – Wednesday February 4 th @11:59pm	Link
Cost per event	1 event – \$45 +HST 2 events – \$90 +HST 3 events – \$135+HST 4 events – \$180+HST	Cat A-D and Cat A-D Women
	\$65+HST *Includes all events scheduled for the particular OCup	Cat E-G

Provincial Championship Milton Registration		
Event	Registration Timeline	
Provincial Championship Milton	Monday December 1st (tentative) @12pm (noon) – Wednesday February 25 th @ 11:59pm	Link
Cost per event	1 event – \$55 +HST 2 events – \$110 +HST 3 events – \$165+HST 4 events – \$220+HST 5 events – \$275+HST 6 events – \$330+HST Omnium - \$120 +HST	U17, Junior, Elite, Master Men and Master Women
	\$65+HST *Registration includes the following events <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Individual Pursuit (U15 only) • Time Trial • Team Pursuit • Team Sprint • Keirin Omnium - \$80 +HST	U11, U13, U15

**At Provincials the cost to compete in the Omnium will be a flat fee of \$120+HST for adults (including U17) and \$80+HST for youth (U15, U13, U11)*

Refund/Transfer Policy

- A rider must withdraw prior to the registration closing to be eligible to receive a refund. Once the registration period has ended, refunds are no longer available.
- All refunds are subject to a non-refundable processing fee (variable based on transaction value) plus an Uplifter (formally known as CCN) refund administration fee.
- If an athlete withdraws from an event on race day, they are not eligible for a refund, and the rider must inform the President of the Commissaire Panel of their withdrawal. Failure to notify the President may result in a fine.
- OC reserves the right to issue refunds in other rare and exceptional cases. Injury, loss/change of employment or a move away from town such that the participant can no longer attend, will not be considered.

2026 Membership

The 2026 membership will be available in November.

Race Fines

Any rider who is issued a fine from a Commissaire will be notified upon completion of their race either by the PCP or an Ontario Cycling staff member. Any rider who is issued a fine will have 24 hours from when the fine is issued to contest the fine, they have received. After 24 hours the fine will be issued, and riders will have to pay the fine following completion of the event.

Event Categories

All OCups will be run using open ability format where athletes will self-seed themselves from Cat A-D, Cat A-D Women, Cat E-G (youth), based on their ability and experience level. The ability-based format is designed to provide meaningful competition for all riders and help ensure appropriate participant numbers for quality racing. Any questions regarding the format can be directed to the events team at events.team@ontariocycling.org

- Riders are allowed to choose a different ability-category for the sprint events vs. endurance events
- Depending on registration numbers, categories may be combined
- A minimum of 10 riders will need to be registered within each category for the category to stand as listed.
- During the Keirin, categories with registration numbers of 7 or less will go straight to finals

Youth Track Certification

- All youth riders must be certified on the Milton Velodrome Track prior to racing. Once you have been certified on the track once you don't have to be certified again.
- All certifications are done through NCIM through one of the following methods:
 - Riders who have no track riding experience will need to attend a Youth Track Certification. Please contact NCIM for more information on when the next Track Certification is taking place.
 - Riders who have track riding experience elsewhere may get certified 1 hour prior to competition beginning. Please contact NCIM to arrange the time for the certification.
 - Riders who are track certified in Bromont will need to provide proof that they have been track certified. Please send all certificates to NCIM.

For any additional questions regarding track certification please contact NCIM at the following address admin@ncirevolution.com

Youth Suggested Seeding Chart

- OC will monitor and reserve the right to move entrants around based on category availability, previous OCup results, and NCIM weekly racing results to ensure categories are comprised of similar abilities.
- U17 riders may race in the OCup categories (Cat A-D or Cat A-D Women) if they would prefer. They may not race in both the youth categories and the OCup categories.

Categories	Suggested Seeding
Cat E	*U17 men finishing middle of the pack at Provincial Championship *U17 women in the top third of the field at Provincial and National Championship *U15 female/male with advanced skill and physical maturity
Cat F	*U15 with race experience U13 male/female with advanced skill and physical maturity
Cat G	U13 female/male U11 female/male

Gear Restrictions

Category	Gear Restrictions
Cat E	7.12m
Cat F	6.71m
Cat G	6.71m

**There are no gear restrictions for the junior riders and U17 riders (including upgraded U15s) who are racing the Cat A-D or Cat A-D Women categories.*

Youth Upgrades

For the 2025-2026 Track OCup series second year U15 riders may be eligible for youth upgrades. Riders wishing to apply for a youth upgrade must compete in OCup in the Cat E category to be eligible to apply. Each upgrade request will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis.

Upgrades will be granted for exceptional circumstances.

Exceptional circumstances.

Exceptional circumstance is defined as an athlete having clearly demonstrated they are no longer challenged within the youth category* and have demonstrated the physical, technical and tactical ability to be competitive for a podium finish within an OCup category.

*OC does not define this as simply winning a category.

For more information on youth upgrades please click [here](#) to review the youth upgrade guidelines.

[Youth Upgrade Request Form](#)

Deadline to apply for a youth upgrade

Event Date	Event	Submission Deadline
January 17 th , 2026	OCup #2	January 7 th , 2026
February 7 th , 2026	OCup #3	January 28 th , 2026

Note: there will be no youth upgrades for Provincial Championships all riders must race their national age listed on their license.

Open Training/Warm Up

- Riding on the track will be available during the hour before the start of the first event.
- There will be a limit of 30 people on the track at a given time.
- All riders must enter and exit from the backstraight and be wearing their bib numbers.
- Standing starts will not be allowed.
- The open training session will be managed and controlled by the Provincial Lead Coach or a member of the Commissaire team.

Awards

- Medals will be awarded to the top three (3) finishers in each category for each event
- Should categories be combined as a result for low participation numbers the results will be broken out for awards.
- Riders must attend the awards ceremonies or risk forfeiting their medals
- Podium protocol shall be enforced, and fines issued to those who fail to comply. Riders must wear their competition uniform for medal presentations. No hats or eyewear are permitted.
- Medal presentations will take place immediately following each event.

Volunteers

Thank you to all volunteers who dedicate their time to making these events possible. Ontario Cycling is always looking for volunteers for our Track OCup Series and Provincial Championships. If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to ocvolunteer@ontariocycling.org to learn more about our volunteer opportunities.

Partners and Sponsors

Thank you to all our partners and sponsors. We could not put on these events without the support of our partners and sponsors. If you are interested in partnering or sponsoring our events, please reach out to events.team@ontariocycling.org.



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